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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



Majority prices for next week were trending higher in the Midwest, but unchanged in the East and West. Trade sentiment was steady to fully steady in the Midwest, but steady elsewhere. Retail demand was mostly light to moderate with mixed opinions for first-of-the-month. Food service was light to good, best into fast food channels where promoted. Supplies of all sizes were at least adequate for trade needs. In the parts structure, demand was fair to fairly good. Wings were close balanced to tight and often sought. Breast items were adequate, but well cleared for boneless skinless breasts and tenders. Dark meat was mixed with boneless meat cuts barely adequate to tight, legs and thighs in good balance and held with confidence. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at mostly desirable weights.

Preliminary report Prices negotiated for trucklot sales of ready-to-cook broiler/fryers fob and delivered to first receivers at major market areas week of 04-DEC-2006 (cents per lb)

US GRADE A

(Including branded product)

AREAS	MAJORITY	RANGE	WTD AVG	LOADS
Delivered to First Receivers				
Chicago	58.00-61.00	55.00-67.00	60.50	28
New York	60.00-63.00			
Los Angeles	76.00			Southeast
Area FOB Dock Equivalent				
Mississippi	68.00-70.00	62.00-75.00	68.38	91

GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for this week's trading is 69.00 cents based on ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds.

PRELIMINARY FOB DOCK OR EQUIVALENT

LOADS	RANGE	FRIDAY PRELIM. WTD. AVG.
950	63.00-70.10	68.63
Georgia f.o.b. dock confirmed preliminary weighted average price on ice-packed parts:	WTD. AVG.	VOLUME
LINE RUN TENDERS	149.50	1,184
BREASTS - B/S	120.00	5,564
BREASTS - WHOLE	78.00	1,239
THIGH MEAT - B/S	86.50	1,060
LEG QUARTERS	30.00	8,465
WINGS	94.50	2,647

This information is supplied by the Georgia Department of Agriculture's Poultry Market News Service.

SOUTHERN BROILER Trade sentiment was mixed, but overall at least steady. Retail demand entering the weekend was light to fair with optimism for first of the month and planned features. Food service was fair to moderate, best into fast food channels. Supplies of all sizes were usually sufficient to handle trade needs. In the parts structure, movement was fair to active. Wings were barely adequate to tight and moving well. Breast items were adequate to close balanced with boneless skinless, fronts, and tenders receiving best interest. Drums and leg quarters were sufficient, but all other dark meat cuts were barely adequate to short. In production areas, live supplies were moderate. Weights were mixed, but mostly desirable.

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYERS Trucklot buying activity on ready-to-cook whole broiler/fryers increased slightly and was noted as fair to moderate entering the weekend. Offerings of all sizes were adequate to fully adequate for current needs. Retail and distributive movement was fair. Fast food was noted as fair to fairly good best where media promotions were active. The market tone was steady. In the parts complex, boneless skinless breasts and thigh meat were well cleared. Legs and thighs were in good balance to tight. Other items were adequate and clearing satisfactorily.

WESTERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS The preliminary majority prices were unchanged for next week. Trade sentiment was steady. Early trading for next week's delivery was just fair and reported at mainly unchanged prices. Offerings were adequate to ample with sized product in the best position. Buyer's interest was moderate at best. Retailer demand was moderate. Dealers anticipated satisfactory weekend clearances. The market tone was steady to firm on parts. White meat and boneless items held the strongest position.

MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYERS Preliminary majority prices into Chicago for next week's trade increased 1 cent. Whole broiler/fryer market tone was steady to fully steady. Offers were light to moderate on a light trade call. Retail and food service was light to good; best into fast food and Detroit retail centers. Some in the St. Louis and Illinois area were struggling with the first major winter storm of the season; school closings, power outage and trucking issues. Floor stocks were balanced to ample; weights desirable. Parts trade was very good on wings when available; boneless dark meat was in close balance to short and wanted; the balance of items were mixed in availability and trade interest. The market tone was fully steady to firm on all parts.

DELMARVA BROILER/FRYERS Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds increased slightly entering the weekend and was seasonally moderate. Offerings remained fully adequate. Live supplies were moderate; weights were desirable. Processing schedules were moderate to moderately heavy. Less than trucklot asking prices were unchanged at 61 to 73 cents. Trade sentiment was steady. In the parts complex, offerings were adequate to closely cleared.

*BROILER/FRYER CURRENT NEGOTIATED PRICES FOR IMMEDIATE DELIVERY INCLUDES MOSTLY MULTIPLE-DROP SHIPMENTS OF BRANDED AND WING TAGGED TO NEW YORK CITY FROM DELMARVA.

BRANDED U.S. GRADE A

RANGE	60-78
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	(A)
NO. OF BOXES	(A)
CUMULATIVE	11/27/06 - 12/01/06 (A)
	11/28/05 - 12/02/05 (A)
NO. OF BOXES	11/27/06 - 12/01/06 (A)
	11/28/05 - 12/02/05 (A)

(A) NOT REPORTED TO AVOID DISCLOSING INDIVIDUAL OPERATIONS

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SOUTHERN STATES BROILER/FRYER PARTS

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POUNDS					POUNDS					WEEKLY	
ITEM	(000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG	(000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG	(000)	WTD AVG	
BREAST - B/S	566	92.00-182.00	-	113.47	688	96.00-179.00	-	109.62	3,307	105.05	
TENDERLOINS	TOO FEW TO REPORT				246	94.00-167.00	-	98.52	884	95.98	
BREAST - LINE RUN	TOO FEW TO REPORT				TOO FEW TO REPORT				431	66.30	
FRONT HALVES	TOO FEW TO REPORT				TOO FEW TO REPORT				270	56.93	
LEGS	188	30.00-46.00	31	32.28	198	30.00-48.00	31-32	32.95	958	31.82	
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	640	22.00-29.00	23-24	23.56	603	22.00-29.00	23-24	23.78	3,053	23.13	
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	874	23.00-31.00	25-26	25.49	809	23.00-33.00	25-26	26.40	3,980	25.42	
WINGS (WHOLE)	318	80.00-92.00	84-87	84.69	295	81.00-97.00	86-89	88.32	1,522	83.81	
WINGS (CUT)	255	100.00-107.00	102-104	103.45	295	101.00-107.00	104-106	104.73	1,460	101.98	
DRUMSTICKS	TOO FEW TO REPORT				TOO FEW TO REPORT				340	30.64	
THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT				TOO FEW TO REPORT				180	28.76	
B/S THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT				TOO FEW TO REPORT				375	83.64	

WHOLE BODY INDEX BASED ON SOUTHERN STATES PARTS*****
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TRADING FOR NOV 30, 2006 -- F.O.B. DOCK.

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RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
38.50 - 43.50	40.03	38.50 - 44.00	40.23	40.02

The Index is intended solely as an indicator of values for commodity-type product and does not represent industry's willingness to sell or ability to buy.

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS - Trucklot buying interest was noted as fair to fairly good entering the weekend. Offerings of boneless skinless breasts remained well cleared; bone-in breast were generally sufficient for trade needs. Boneless skinless thigh meat and tenders were tight. Legs and thighs which were in good balance and held with confidence. Movement through retail and distributive channels was fair. The market tone was fully steady to firm on boneless skinless breasts, thigh meat, legs and thighs. The balance of items were mostly steady.

ICE PACKED BROILER/FRYER PARTS, DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS IN POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES, CENTS PER POUND.

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CURRENT NEG				CURRENT NEG				WEEKLY	
ITEM	TRADING*	WTD AVG**	VOL/LBS	ITEM	TRADING*	WTD AVG**	VOL/LBS	WTD AVG	VOL/LBS
BREAST - B/S	105-110	97.12	681,720	110-115	100.83	596,160	97.88	3,469,871	
TENDERLOINS	90-95	85.37	237,480	95	92.63	158,720	91.09	986,716	
BREAST - WITH RIBS	62-63	67.84	84,520	62-63	75.14	79,600	71.18	352,160	
BREAST - LINE RUN	62	62.42	77,400	62	63.21	77,400	61.67	367,200	
LEGS	40-41	37.53	146,260	42-43	38.79	168,920	37.76	842,300	
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	28-29	28.99	255,400	28-29	29.34	202,640	29.14	1,427,577	
DRUMSTICKS	26-27	32.23	106,280	26-27	32.23	111,360	32.21	506,370	
THIGHS	26-27	35.17	49,400	27-28	33.53	50,880	34.81	268,460	
B/S THIGHS	88-89	82.53	92,600	89-90	82.88	93,480	82.71	508,660	
WINGS (WHOLE)	90-91	94.09	203,480	90-91	96.28	185,760	92.57	1,056,650	
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12	11.38	17,600	10-12	11.31	23,000	11.52	102,810	
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	35-40	39.97	10,640	35-40	33.00	14,640	37.67	67,920	
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	70-75	74.35	14,720	70-75	75.11	19,840	73.96	103,480	

INCLUDES: NY CITY METRO. AREA, NORTHERN NJ, MA, CT, RI, & PA (NORTHEAST OF HARRISBURG). * NEG. SALES AS OF 11:30 A.M.

** WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE OF ALL GRADES AND BRANDS OF PRODUCT SHIPPED, OR TO BE SHIPPED AS OF 1:30 P.M.

ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS (IN THOUSANDS)

ESTIMATED		ACTUAL		AVG WT		ACTUAL		AVG WTS	
12/01	11/30	11/29	11/28	11/29	11/28	11/24	11/22		
Alabama	4,211	3,970	3,808	3,928	5.53	5.58	3,595	5.22	
Arkansas	5,088	5,402	5,104	5,239	5.30	5.38	3,638	5.27	
Delmarva	2,282	2,288	2,292	2,559	5.97	6.02	2,258	5.86	
KY-LA-TN	2,686	2,411	2,336	2,301	5.14	5.28	1,481	5.15	
Mississippi	3,333	2,871	2,866	2,922	5.80	5.89	2,071	5.64	
North Carolina	2,774	2,675	2,632	2,659	6.86	6.89	1,864	6.79	
Texas	2,533	2,525	2,637	2,507	5.36	5.46	2,331	5.30	
Total	22,907	22,142	21,675	21,843	5.66	5.73	17,238	5.57	
Mon-Fri	110,721(A)						81,175 (A)		
Saturday	1,681	(included in total for date shown)					2,706		

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above. Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 01-Dec-06 and 02-Dec-06 is estimated to be 34,271,000 head up 32.49 percent from a week ago and down -4.20 percent from a year ago.

(Last week 25,867,000, last year 35,772,000)

Weekly broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for the weekending 02-Dec-06 is estimated to be 165,236,000 head up 37.11 percent from a week ago, and up 0.42 percent from a year ago. (Last week 120,513,000, last year 164,540,000)

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED POULTRY, DELIVERED TO RETAILERS

	RANGE
FRESH FRYERS	91-100
ROASTERS 4# & UP	99-108
HENS UNDER 5#	-
HENS OVER 5#	65-74
DUCKS	-
RABBITS-WHOLE	-
RABBITS-CUT UP	-

SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED POULTRY DLVRD TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	ICE PACK	RANGE
FRESH FRYERS	ICE PACK	93-105
ROASTERS 4# & UP	DRY PACK	110-114
	ICE PACK	98
	DRY PACK	111-118
HENS OVER 5#	ICE PACK	86-100
	DRY PACK	100-107
DUCKS		190-195

YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED Under federal inspection,

Week ending 25-Nov-06

	(A) 4.25 lbs & down	(B) 4.26- 6.26 lbs	(C) 6.26- 7.75 lbs	(D) 7.76 lbs & up	Total
(Preliminary)	Thousands				
Head	33,024	58,917	17,507	11,065	120,513
Avg Live Wgt	3.85	5.40	6.81	8.17	5.44
% of total /1	27%	49%	15%	9%	100%
<i>Comparisons</i>					
Last week	46,410	77,490	22,232	14,321	160,453
Avg Live Wgt	3.88	5.48	7.08	8.29	5.49
% of total /1	29%	48%	14%	9%	100%
Year Ago 2/	34,174	58,632	24,707	8,934	126,447
Avg Live Wgt	3.80	5.39	6.81	8.77	5.48
% of total /1	27%	46%	20%	7%	100%

To date/2006 2,151,964 3,747,715 1,046,948 623,257 7,569,884
 To date/2005 2,202,389 3,657,220 1,259,975 439,266 7,558,850

/1 May not total to 100% due to rounding.

/2 Comparable week.

Weight Class Description:

(A) This size product is normally marketed bone-in into fast food and food service sectors and may include Cornish hens.

(B) This size product is normally marketed into the retail grocery sector in tray pack or bagged forms.

(C) This size product is normally marketed either into the retail grocery sector in tray pack and IQF form or is further processed and marketed into various sectors.

(D) This size product is normally marketed deboned or as roasters or roasting chicken.

LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION W/E 25-Nov-06

	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS	DUCKS
(Preliminary)	THOUSANDS				
Head	120,513	560	921	1,481	396
Avg Wt	5.44	3.33	8.07	6.28	6.65
Last week	160,453	1,151	1,715	2,866	446
Same wk yr ago	126,447	819	940	1,759	374
Avg Wt	5.48	3.27	8.25	5.93	7.25
To-date/2006	7,569,884	50,451	69,818	120,269	23,406
To-date/2005	7,558,850	67,081	66,376	133,457	23,340

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 156.7 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 122.0 million head, or 34.7 million less than estimated available.

ESTIMATED U.S. FRYER SLAUGHTER/FRYER AVAILABILITY COMPARISON

WEEK ENDING	MILLION HEAD SLAUGHTERED	MILLION HEAD AVAILABLE	PCT	AVG WT
October 21	167.6	162.9	103%	5.47
28	166.2	163.3	102%	5.47
November 4	166.1	163.0	102%	5.29
11	168.3	159.9	105%	5.50
18	162.4	156.3	104%	5.49
25	122.0	156.7	78%	5.44
Year to date	7661.7	7679.7	100%	
December 2		156.8		
9		156.6		

BROILER/CATTLE/HOG WEEKLY ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER**Under Federal Inspection**

W/E	12/02/06	11/25/06	% CHG	12/03/05	% CHG
Broilers	165,236	120,513*	+37.11	164,540*	+0.42
Cattle	636	594	+07	605*	+05
Hogs	2,156	1,972	+09	2,169*	-01

*ACTUAL

EASTERN REGION MISCELLANEOUS POULTRY

FOR CURRENT DELIVERY FOR THE WEEK OF 27-NOV-2006

DUCKLINGS: PRICES NEGOTIATED BY FIRST RECEIVERS, US GRADE A, 4-5 POUNDS, DELIVERED IN TRUCKLOT AND POOL TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES, CENTS PER POUND

ORIGIN	FROZEN	FRESH
LONG ISLAND MOSTLY	155-159	161-165
MIDWEST MOSTLY	136-146	138-148

ROASTERS: PRICES NEGOTIATED BY FIRST RECEIVERS, US GRADE A AND PLANT GRADE, 5 POUNDS AND UP, DELIVERED, CENTS PER POUND

	RANGE	MOSTLY
ICE PACKED (12 PER BOX)	58.00-65.00	61.00-65.00
VACUUM PACKED (6-9 PER BOX)	71.00-86.00	66.00-72.00

SQUABS: NEW YORK AREA WHOLESALE PRICES, FROZEN, PLANT GRADE, DOLLARS PER DOZEN, 1 TO 10 BOXES

12 OZ.	62.64 - 85.05
14 OZ.	69.12 - 96.39
16 OZ.	74.88 - 106.73

THE EASTERN REGION INCLUDES:

CT, DE, FL, GA, MA, MD, ME, NC, NH, NJ, NY, PA RI, SC, VA, VT & WV

CENTRAL REGION DUCKLINGS Prices unchanged. Trade sentiment was steady. Demand was good. Supplies were well balanced. Schedules were full-time. Prices paid to first receivers for 10-18oz boneless breast at \$4.50-5.25, bone in legs at \$1.45-2.40, gizzards at \$1.20-1.40, wings at \$.65-.70, livers at \$.95-1.70, and feet at \$.65-1.00.

DELIVERED IN TRUCKLOT AND POOL TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES, 4-5 POUNDS, WEEK OF 27-NOV-2006

ORIGIN	FROZEN	FRESH
MIDWEST AND OTHERS	122-146	130-148

GRAYSTONE SMALL ANIMAL AUCTION - November 28, 2006****AI PAPERS REQUIRED TO SELL ALL OUT OF STATE POULTRY****

Prices paid per pound, except as noted.

	RANGE
Muscovy Ducks - Drakes	.50 - .55
Doves	4.00 - 4.25ea.
Red Fowl 4-5 LBS	.15 - .25
Crossbred Fowl 5-9 LBS	.25 - .30
Crossbred Roosters 4-6 LBS	.50 - .60
Crossbred Roosters 7-11 LBS	.40 - .50
Guinea Fowl	1.60 - 1.70ea.
Banty Roosters	2.00 - 2.25ea.
Banty Hens	1.00 - 1.25ea.
Silkie	1.50 - 2.00ea.
Geese 9-14 LBS	.25 - .35
Pigeons	1.75 - 2.00ea.
White Pigeons	4.00 - 4.10ea.
Rabbits 4-6 LBS	1.75 - 2.00ea.
Rabbits 6-9 LBS	1.20 - 1.40
Bunnies	2.00 - 5.00ea.
Guinea Pigs	3.00 - 6.00ea.
Pekin Ducks	3.00 - 4.00ea.

Total Coops Sold 300

NATIONAL CANNER FOWL MARKET Trading on heavy cannery were too few to report; unchanged on lights when compared to the previous week. Offerings of both light and heavy cannery were more than sufficient for current needs with most available supplies of heavy cannery being used internally. Demand was seasonally fair to moderate. Processing schedules were normal. The undertone was steady.

CENTS PER POUND, CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS, WITHOUT FREIGHT COST

LIGHT CANNER HENS (LINE RUN WITHOUT NECKS)	HEAVY CANNER HENS (WITHOUT NECKS)
18-28 MAJORITY 23.5-24	TOO FEW SALES TO REPORT

CENTS PER POUND, CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS, FREIGHT COST INCLUDED

LIGHT CANNER HENS (LINE RUN WITHOUT NECKS)	HEAVY CANNER HENS (WITHOUT NECKS)
20-29 MAJORITY 25-26	TOO FEW SALES TO REPORT

LIGHT TYPE HENS

CENTS PER HEAD, GENERALLY FOR REMOVAL WITHIN THE NEXT 10 DAYS (INCLUDES HANDLING, FREIGHT AND ANY OTHER CHARGES, WEIGHTS AVERAGE ABOUT 3.50 POUNDS)

EASTERN REGION LIGHT LIVE HEN Prices were slightly lower when compared to a week earlier. Demand ranged fair to moderate. Offerings were mostly adequate for current trade needs. Processing schedules were noted as normal. Trade sentiment was steady.

	RANGE	MAJORITY
REMOVAL COST	6-12	8-10

SOUTH CENTRAL LIGHT LIVE HEN Negotiations were too few to report. Demand was light for fully adequate offerings of light fowl. Schedules were reduced. Finished sales were slow. Disposal costs were about steady.

	RANGE	MAJORITY
REMOVAL COST		TOO FEW TO REPORT

NORTH CENTRAL LIGHT LIVE HEN Removal majority prices were lower. Demand was light to moderate with offerings adequate. Schedules full-time. Trade sentiment about steady.

	RANGE	MAJORITY
REMOVAL COST	4.5-10	4.5-5.5

WEST COAST LIGHT LIVE HEN Plant schedules light. Offerings adequate.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) *

PRELIMINARY PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 04-DEC-06

SOUTHEAST LIVE HEAVY-TYPE HENS Sales were too few to report prices. Demand was fair for the mostly adequate to at least adequate offerings of spent hens. Processing schedules for next week were noted as normal to instances heavy. Sales of finished product was fair. The undertone was steady.

	RANGE	MAJORITY
AT FARM BUYER LOADING		TOO FEW TO REPORT
AT FARM PRODUCER LOADING		TOO FEW TO REPORT
FOB PLANT		TOO FEW TO REPORT

* WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

SOUTH CENTRAL LIVE HEAVY-TYPE HENS Trading was light and TFEWR. Demand was fair for fully adequate supplies of spent heavy fowl. Schedules were reduced. Finished sales were fair. Trade sentiment was steady at best.

	RANGE	MAJORITY
AT FARM BUYER LOADING		TOO FEW TO REPORT

* WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

NEW YORK CITY SEASONAL POULTRY

FOR DELIVERY THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 27, 2006.

CAPONS:

Supplies of frozen USDA Grade A capons continued in close balance with anticipated needs. Most product booked for December needs will begin shipping late week. Prices to first receiver were unchanged. Trade sentiment was at least steady.

DOLLARS PER POUND DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS:

6-9 LBS. 1.70-1.84 MOSTLY 1.70-1.75

GEESSE:

Supplies of frozen USDA Grade A geese were in close balance to well cleared. Bookings and inquiries were about as expected for December needs. Processors continued to operate full schedules. Prices were unchanged. Trade sentiment was at least steady to fully steady.

DOLLARS PER POUND DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS:

8-16 LBS. 2.26-2.45 MOSTLY 2.35-2.40

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